

April 28, 2015

Via ECFS

Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
Office of the Secretary
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

**Re: WC Docket No. 10-90
Great Plains Communications, Inc., Consolidated Telecom, Inc. and
The Nebraska Central Telephone Company
Challenge to Competitive Coverage of Hamilton.net, Inc.**

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On behalf of Great Plains Communications, Inc. ("Great Plains"), Consolidated Telecom, Inc. ("Consolidated") and The Nebraska Central Telephone Company ("Nebraska Central"), Reynolds Schultheis Consulting, Inc. ("RSCONCO") files the attached comments to challenge the competitive coverage of Hamilton.net, Inc. ("Hamilton.net") pursuant to the streamlined challenge process established by the Public Notice.¹

Sincerely,

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/s/ Jeffrey W. Reynolds

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cc: Katie King, Telecommunications Access Policy Division, (via e-mail)

¹ See Wireline Competition Bureau Releases Alternative Connect America Cost Model Version 2.2 and Illustrative Results and Commences Challenge Process in Competitive Coverage, WC Docket No. 10-90, Public Notice (rel. Apr. 7, 2016) ("Public Notice")

Before the
FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
Washington, DC 20554

In the Matter of)
) WC Docket No. 10-90
Connect America Fund)

COMPETITIVE CHALLENGE

COMMENTS OF GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATIONS, INC., CONSOLIDATED
TELECOM, INC. AND THE NEBRASKA CENTRAL TELEPHONE COMPANY
CHALLENGING A-CAM COMPETITORS PURSUANT TO PUBLIC NOTICE

GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATIONS, INC. ("Great Plains"), CONSOLIDATED TELECOM, INC. ("Consolidated") AND THE NEBRASKA CENTRAL TELEPHONE COMPANY ("Nebraska Central") hereby submits these comments regarding the Federal Communications Commission's ("FCC" or "Commission") April 7, 2016 Public Notice which published preliminary determination of unsubsidized competitive coverage for rate-of-return Incumbent Local Exchange Carrier ("ILEC") study areas.¹

Pursuant to the *Public Notice* and paragraph 71 of the Report and Order, Order and Order on Reconsideration and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking released on March 30, 2016 in the above-reference proceedings by the FCC,² Great Plains, Consolidated and Nebraska Central challenge the competitive coverage of Hamilton.net.

I. BACKGROUND AND OVERVIEW

Great Plains (SAC 371577), Consolidated (SAC 371562) and Nebraska Central (SAC 371574) are local exchange carriers providing voice and broadband in the state of Nebraska. These three (3) companies have a significant number of census blocks which are excluded from support by Hamilton.net.

Hamilton.net (FRN 18505388) is a fixed wireless provider operating in Nebraska. Voice service is not available to Hamilton.net subscribers. On April 25, 2016 Hamilton.net filed a letter with the Commission via ECFS affirmatively stating that they did not provide voice service to any locations within Nebraska. A copy of that letter is included in Attachment 1 to these comments.

¹ See Wireline Competition Bureau Releases Alternative Connect America Cost Model Version 2.2 and Illustrative Results and Commences Challenge Process in Competitive Coverage, WC Docket No. 10-90, Public Notice (rel. Apr. 7, 2016) ("Public Notice")

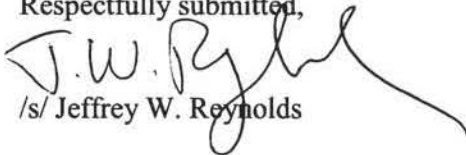
² See *Connect America Fund et. al.*, WC Docket No. 10-90 *et. al.*, Order, FCC 16-33 (rel. Mar. 30, 2016) ("*USF Reform Order*").

II. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AND CONCLUSION

In addition to the letter submitted by Hamilton.net, Great Plains, Consolidated and Nebraska Central have compiled a list of census blocks (Attached file: *Challenges to Hamilton.net.pdf*) that were deemed ineligible for support because Hamilton.net was incorrectly identified as an unsubsidized competitor.

Based on the information provided, Great Plains, Consolidated and Nebraska Central respectfully request, pursuant to the *Public Notice* and paragraph 71 of the *USF Reform Order*, that the Commission correct the exclusion from support those census blocks identified in the attached file (*Challenges to Hamilton.net.pdf*).

Respectfully submitted,


/s/ Jeffrey W. Reynolds

Attachments

Attachment 1

Documentation in Support of Great Plains Communications, Inc., Consolidated
Telecom, Inc. and The Nebraska Central Telephone Company

Challenge of

Hamilton.net

- Hamilton.net letter to FCC



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April 25, 2016

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RE: WC Docket no. 10-90
In the Matter of Connect America Fund A National Broadband Plan for Our Future High-Cost Universal Service Support

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Hamilton.net, Inc. ("Hamilton.net") is filing this letter in WC Docket No. 10-90 to inform the Commission that Hamilton.net does not provide voice service to any locations within the state of Nebraska.

Hamilton.net (FRN 18505388) is a subsidiary of Nedelco, Incorporated a holding company (HocoNum 130887). Hamilton Telephone Company, another subsidiary of Nedelco, Inc., offers voice service within its local exchange. Hamilton Long Distance, a subsidiary of Nedelco, Inc., offers Inter Exchange Carrier Services in a broader geographic area, but no affiliate of Nedelco, Inc. currently offers local end user voice service to subscribers outside of the Hamilton Telephone Company local exchange area.

If you have any questions, please contact me at 402-694-5101.

Respectfully submitted,

Via ECFS 4/25/16

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Dan Molliconi
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Copies to:
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